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WEATHER FORECAST:

Snow this p. m.; fair tonight.

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ASK CONGRESS TO FORCE SALE OF CAR LINE'S POWER STOCK

Utilities Commissioners Want
Washington Railway and
Electric to Give Up Holdings
in Potomac Electric.

Draft of Proposed Bill Bars In-
terlocking Directorates in
Any Public Utilities of the
District.

Separation of the Washington Rail-
way and Electric Company and the Po-
tomac Electric Power Company, a sub-
sidiary corporation, is provided for in a
bill sent to Congress today by the Pub-
lic Utilities Commission.

The commission's recommendation fol-
lows its investigation of the affairs of
the Washington Railway and Electric
Company, during the course of which,
it is stated in a letter to the chairman
of the House and Senate District Com-
mittees, facts were developed showing
conditions unfavorable to the public
interests resulting from the ownership
of the stock of the power company by
the railway company.

\$500,000 Is Involved.
The enactment of the legislation, re-
sponding to Corporation Counsel Sma,
general counsel for the Public Utilities
Commission, means that the Washing-
ton Railway and Electric Company will
have to relinquish \$500,000 worth of
stock in the Potomac Electric Power
Company.

In its report accompanying the bill,
the commission states that other com-
plications deemed to be unfavorable to
the public interests may be corrected by
the commission without additional leg-
islation, but the most important change
existing conditions requires the pas-
sage of the act.

The bill provides that it shall be un-
lawful for any street railway company
doing business in the District to own,
control, or hold, directly or indirectly,
stocks or bonds of any corporation en-
gaged in generating or supplying elec-
tric current for light or power for sale
in the District, or the holding of stock
of any street railway company by a cor-
poration engaged in the generating and
supplying of electric current also is for-
bidden.

The bill requires the Washington Rail-
way and Electric Company to dispose of
stock in the Potomac Electric Power
Company within six months after the
passage of the act. In the event of its
failure to do so it is provided that the
Federal Court of the District on peti-
tion of the Public Utilities Commission,
all have jurisdiction in equity to order
the corporation to sell or dispose of
its stock or that the court itself shall
dispose of the stock or bonds held in vi-
olation of the law. The bill further pro-
vides that no person shall serve upon
the board of directors of more than one
public utility in the District at the same
time.

Report of Commission.
Among the findings of the commis-
sion in its investigation of the Washing-
ton Railway and Electric Company was
that the company was buying at
electric power from the Potomac
Electric Power Company under a con-
tract which placed it entirely under the
control of the latter company, and that
the directors of the two companies,
which were composed of the same in-
dividuals.

The report stated further that the
directors of the Washington Railway
and Electric Company were also di-
rectors of the Potomac Electric Power
Company. The railway company, it was
stated, is the sole beneficiary of the
financially profitable operations of the
power company, which are entirely con-
trolled by the power company.

Other Evils Cited.
The commission considers it has the
power to correct other conditions dis-
closed by the investigation, such as the
contract under which a two-third inter-
est in the Great Falls Power site was
intended to be sold by the Washington
railway and Electric Company to the
Potomac Electric Power Company, for
\$100,000 of the latter's stock.

WILLS \$250,000 TO CHAUFFEUR

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 20.—
By the will of Mrs. Rose S.
Foster, who died several
days ago in New York, the
bulk of her estate, estimated
at \$250,000, is left to Roy A.
Chilson, her chauffeur.
Mrs. Foster was the widow of a
wealthy Buffalo merchant.

LANSING SELECTED TO SUCCEED MOORE

New York Lawyer and Wash-
ington Resident Becomes
Counselor to the State De-
partment.

President Wilson today selected Robert Lansing, of New York, as Counselor to the State Department, to succeed John Bassett Moore, resigned, and Cone Johnson, of Texas, as Solicitor for the department to succeed former Gov. Joseph W. Folk, now Counsel to the Interstate Commerce Commission.
Mr. Lansing, an authority on international law, is associate editor of the American Journal of International Law. He is fifty years of age and has taken a prominent part in arbitration matters in which the United States has been interested. He was associate counsel for the Government in the Behring Sea arbitration in 1902; solicitor for the United States before the Alaskan boundary tribunal in 1903, and counselor in the North Atlantic coast fisheries arbitration at The Hague. He is at present a member of the British claims commission, as agent for the United States.

HEADS OF CANAL FORCE ARE NAMED

Personnel Made Public—Army
and Navy Officers in Big
Majority.

Secretary of War Garrison today made public the personnel of the permanent organization for the Panama canal. All heads of departments and bureaus are army and navy officers with few exceptions. The selections are as follows:
Governor of the Panama canal—Col. George W. Goethals, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.
Department of operation and maintenance—Col. Harry M. Hodges, U. S. A., engineer of maintenance; Capt. Hugh Rodman, U. S. N., superintendent of transportation; Capt. William H. Rose, U. S. A., electrical engineer; Commander D. E. Dismore, U. S. N., and Lieutenant Commander Henry B. Butler, U. S. N., captains of the terminal canal; Naval constructor D. C. Nutting, U. S. N., superintendent of shops and dry dock.
Purchasing department—Major S. C. Boggs, U. S. A., general purchasing officer.
Supply department—Capt. R. E. Wood, U. S. A., chief quartermaster; Captain Wood will retain charge of the department for the present, the permanent reorganization of this department not being contemplated until after the reorganization of the other departments.
Accounting department—H. H. A. Smith, auditor, and B. F. Harrah, assistant auditor.
Health department—Lieut. Col. Charles P. Mason, medical corps, U. S. A., chief health officer; Lieut. Col. George D. Sinton, medical corps, U. S. A., superintendent of hospitals; and Past Assistant Surgeon Marshall C. Guthrie, Bureau of Public Health, chief officer of the quarantine division.
Executive secretary—C. A. McIlvaine.

Washington Man Foils New York Bunco Men

"They tried to work the old army game on me, and they got three months in jail for their trouble," was the telephone message received early this morning by Mrs. Claude M. Edwards, 1864 Park road northwest, from her husband in New York.
Two alleged bunco men chose Edwards for a victim when he was walking down Broadway, and invited him to join in a game of matching pennies. He had them arrested.

Kills Wife and Babies, Then Sets Fire to Home

OAK PARK, Ga., March 20.—J. A. Eubank, a farmer residing near here, in a fit of despondency over ill-health, today killed his wife and two babies, set his house on fire, and then shot himself.
Neighbors aroused by the flames took him out of the house, with the bodies of his victims. Eubank will die.

SHERMAN OFFERS BILL FOR DIVISION OF PLAZA AWARDS

Senator's Measure Would Per-
mit Action on Parcels
Separately.

EXORBITANT PRICES HAVE
HELD UP ALL THE FUNDS

Just Awards Will Be Paid Im-
mediately If Resolution Is
Passed by Congress.

Senator Sherman of Illinois intro-
duced a resolution in the Senate this
afternoon to give relief to property
owners who are suffering serious
hardship as the result of the recent
decision of the President in the plaza
condemnation awards.

President Wilson disapproved all of
the awards in the plaza condemnation
proceedings on the ground that some
of them were objectionable and that
they could not be treated separately.
The purpose of Senator Sherman's re-
solution is to make it possible to con-
sider the awards and payments to the
property owners separately, instead
of in blanket fashion.

The resolution was referred to the
Senate District Committee. It is be-
lieved that it will receive favorable
action in view of the manifest in-
justice which has been worked to many
property owners.

Senator Sherman's resolution is
brief, and recites that whereas "the
President found it impracticable to
separate the payments which are not
in controversy from those which are,
leaving those property owners whose
claims are not attacked so that pay-
ments cannot be made to them, in-
volving great consequent hardship,"
the awards and payments are declared
to be severable so that the President
may order such as are not in contro-
versy to be paid.

The effect of this resolution if adopted
both houses would be to enable the De-
partment of Justice and the President to
consider the controverted Baltimore
and Ohio award and any others in con-
troversy, by themselves.

The others would then be paid im-
mediately.

Cold Forces Griff To Vacate Camp

By THOMAS KIRBY.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, March
20.—Disgusted with the continued un-
favorable weather, Clark Griffith today
decided to abandon this place tomor-
row. The crowd will leave here in the
afternoon, arriving in Washington about
5 o'clock, and taking up practice at
National Park on Monday morning.
When the athletes were awakened
this morning they found the whole town
covered with snow which started be-
fore midnight and which was still
falling heavily after breakfast. The
snow is as heavy as any of the many
that have wrecked the training program
since the first assortment of players ar-
rived.
Practice was held in the gymnasium
this morning. The same sort of work
is scheduled for this afternoon and to-
morrow morning. The practice at
Washington will be held under the
grandstand whenever the weather keeps
the players off the field.

League Demands Law For Minimum Wage

Insistent in its demands that a mini-
mum wage law be enacted for the Dis-
trict, the Consumers' League has
launched a campaign which will be
given impetus at a meeting at
Rauschen's Tuesday afternoon. H. La-
Rue Brown, chairman of the Massa-
chusetts Minimum Wage Board, will
speak.
Leaders of the league point out that
the passage of the eight-hour law for
women workers has resulted in fre-
quent reduction of wages.

Would Use Cotton for Armor on Battleships

Cotton as a substitute for steel as
armor plating for battleships was sug-
gested to Secretary of the Navy Daniels
today by Col. Marcellus T. Thornton, of
Hickory, N. C.
Colonel Thornton says he has a pro-
cess for making "cotton plate," the de-
tails of which he refuses to make public
until Secretary Daniels takes his pro-
position seriously.
Thornton called attention to General
Jackson's use of cotton bales in the de-
fense of New Orleans.

Road Falls Into Coal Mine; Two Known Dead

PYMTOWN, Pa., March 20.—A por-
tion of a public road near Brandon-
ville fell into an old mine this morning.
Two are known to be dead.

FIVE SHOT ON 7TH STREET; ONE WILL DIE ASSASSIN TAKEN AFTER DUEL IN DARK



Above—Little SOLOMON and MRS. LENA RABOY.
Below—HERMAN KABANSKY (In Light Coat), Leaving Headquarters. Be-
hind Him, In Civilian Clothes, POLICEMAN EDWARDS.

ALL BIG LOAN FIRMS FAVOR COMPROMISE

District to Save \$25,000 in
Expense of Trials as Result
of Agreements.

Every large loan company in the
District has agreed to the compro-
mise offered by the prosecuting offi-
cials in the "loan shark" cases, accord-
ing to a statement of Roger J. White-
ford, Assistant Corporation Counsel, to-
day. As a result of this compromise
the District will save \$25,000 in trials
and thousands of dollars in fees will
be paid into the Police Court.
The agreement is that the defendants
shall plead guilty and pay a fine of \$100
for the first offense. In the event a
second offense is charged against them,
they agree to the imposition of a \$200
fine and a jail sentence of thirty days.
The sentence imposed for the second
offense is to be suspended with the un-
derstanding that a third violation of the
law means the putting into effect of the
sentence with an added penalty. Agree-
ment is made also to accept from bor-
rowers three-fourths of the principal in
full settlement for the debt.
"Our purpose is not to persecute the
loan companies, but to prosecute them in
the event of their failure to obey the
law," said Mr. Whiteford today.
"Not only will the borrowers benefit
by reason of the compromise, but the
District will be saved the cost of the
trials in hundreds of cases. In the
event of a third violation, the prosecut-
ing officers will insist on the extreme
limit of the law in every case."

OBJECTS TO PLAN FOR PAVING COSTS

Northeast Washington Citizens'
Association Opposes Bor-
land Amendment.

President Evan H. Tucker, of the
Northeast Washington Citizens' Asso-
ciation, has written Senator Gallinger
reasons for opposing the Borland
amendment, intended to saddle on Dis-
trict residents the cost of paving. Mr.
Tucker wants the present system kept.
Mr. Tucker says:
"The owner of a small home, valued
at about \$2,000, who owns no vehicle,
would be required to pay as much to-
ward the paving of the street in front
of his home as would the owner of a
mansions valued at \$100,000 of equal
frontage.
"A small home yielding an income
of \$17 per month would be required to
pay as much toward the paving of the
street as would a large apartment house
or business property of equal front-
age, although the latter properties
might yield an income of \$2,000 a year.
"A small building, valued at \$5,000,
might be required to pay many times
the amount that a large one would pay
by reason of the small house occupy-
ing a corner lot."

LIFE IN PRISON POSSIBLE FOR MURDERER OF J. G. ROGERSON

Counsel for Defense Announces
Motion for New Trial and
Appeal—Prisoner Is Re-
manded for Sentence.

Disappointed at Outcome, Row-
zee Is Congratulated by
Wife No. 1 at Adjournment
of Court Following Verdict.

Guilty of murder in the second degree
was the verdict returned by the jury
shortly before noon today in the case
of Clarence P. Rowzee, who has been
on trial all week before Justice Gould
in Criminal Court No. 1 on a charge
of murdering Joseph G. Rogerson.

The penalty provided for second-de-
gree murder is from twenty years to
life imprisonment.

Counsel for the defendant announce
they will shortly move for a new trial,
and take an appeal to the Court of Ap-
peals if necessary.

Remanded For Sentence.

Rowzee, betrayed slight nervousness
and was perceptibly pale as the jury
filed into the courtroom. He steadily
glanced the back of a chair during the
moments occupied by Clerk Mc-
Gee in calling the names of the jury,
preparatory to asking them for their
verdict.

Neither of the two young women to
whom Rowzee was married was in the
courtroom when the verdict was an-
nounced although Mrs. Emma Mink
Rowzee, wife No. 2, was at City Hall
during the forenoon and chatted with
him while the jury was deliberating.
Afterward the so-called wife No. 1 con-
gratulated the young man before he
was returned to jail.

Justice Gould thanked the jury and
then remanded Rowzee for sentence.
It is probable that the motion for a
new trial will be argued, and that
Rowzee will be sentenced at that time
in the event a new trial is not grant-
ed.

Attorneys John G. Capers, Michael
W. Sullivan, and L. B. Perkins, coun-
sel for Rowzee, had offered no testi-
mony in defense, but rested their case
on the contention that the prosecution
had made out a case. It is on this
theory that a motion for a new trial
will be made, and a possible appeal
taken.

Rowzee Disappointed.

Although Rowzee was disappointed
that he was not acquitted, nevertheless
he thanked the jury profusely for their
efforts in his behalf.

Justice Gould charged the jury that
the testimony had disclosed no evi-
dence upon which to base a plea of
self-defense, so that the twelve men
could only find the accused guilty or not
guilty. He then turned the case over
to the jury, and whether there was any premeditation in
the act.

The tragedy occurred at 1405 New
York avenue northwest, where Rogerson
conducted a lunch room, on No-
vember 2. It was alleged that Rowzee
entered the lunch room about 8 o'clock
on a Sunday morning and shot Rogerson
while the latter was behind the
counter reading a newspaper, and then
turned the revolver against his own
head and sent a bullet into himself in
an attempt to end life.

Rowzee lingered between life and
death in the hospital for about three
weeks. He carries a scar on the left
side of his face, and is said to be near-
ly blind in the left eye.

United States Attorney Clarence R.

Wilson and S. McConas Hawken, as-
sistant prosecutor, who conducted the
case for the Government, were not
surprised at the verdict, as they had
directed their efforts against the vic-
torious fight of the defendant's counsel
to win a verdict of acquittal.

IN CONGRESS TODAY.

SENATE.

Met at noon.
Senate lobby investigates question of
whether fund had been raised to de-
feat contract convict labor legisla-
tion.
District Committee meets. Civic center
bill reported and also other bills.
Northeast Washington Citizens' As-
sociation protest to Senator Gallinger
against Borland amendment, and war
present paving law retained.
Senator Shaforth introduces new anti-
franchise amendment.

HOUSE.

Met at noon.
Resumed debate on rivers and harbor
bill.
Judiciary Committee considered Mc-
Dermott lobby report.
Congressman Murdock issued state-
ment against free tolls repeal.
Interstate Commerce Committee con-
sidered Bowditch bill to extend the
American trade in China.

Women and Child Fall in Fusillade

Wife Felled by Four Lead Missiles, But May Re-
cover—Mother-in-Law of Pistol Wielder in
Critical Condition—Policeman Grazed by Shot
in Desperate Battle.

Braving a fusillade of shots in which three persons
had fallen, Policeman J. L. Edwards, of precinct 8, in the
early hours of this morning, and in a dark room, captured
Herman Kabansky, pistol wielder, after a desperate
struggle, in which Edwards was grazed by a bullet, Ka-
bansky was shot, and then felled by a blow from the
butt of the policeman's revolver.

Kabansky "ran amuck" early this morning in the
home of his father-in-law, Abraham Raboy, at 1816 Sev-
enth street, seeking revenge and the life of his wife.

Kabansky broke into the residence through a rear
window, shot his mother-in-law, his wife four times, his
little brother-in-law, six years old, once, Policeman Ed-
wards once, a glancing shot that did not damage, and was
then wounded by the policeman, who braved his fire in
the dark.

Mrs. Lena Raboy, the mother-in-law, forty-five years
old, is in a critical condition at Emergency Hospital, and
her death is momentarily expected. One bullet entered
her chin, passed through the head, and lodged against the
spinal cord. She is paralyzed from the neck down, and
physicians say there is no hope for her recovery.

Mrs. Fanny Kabansky, the wife, twenty-four years
old, was shot once in the right arm, once under the left
arm, once in the neck, and once in the back. She is likely
to recover.

SHOT THROUGH THE CHEST.

Solomon Raboy, brother-in-law, six
years old, was shot through the chest
and with his sister, Mrs. Kabansky, he
is in Freedman's Hospital and probably
will recover.
Kabansky was shot once through the
left wrist and once a glancing blow on
the chest. It was believed that these
were the two shots fired by Edwards.

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